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## SMALL GRAINS - SEPTEMBER 2014

### UTAH HIGHLIGHTS

**All wheat** production in Utah, estimated at 5.88 million bushels, is up 7 percent from 2013, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. All wheat yield was 50.3 bushels per acre, up 6.1 bushels per acre from a year ago.

**Winter wheat** producers seeded 120 thousand acres in the fall of 2013 for harvest in 2014, unchanged from the 120 thousand acres seeded for the previous year's crop. Acreage harvested for grain decreased 1,000 acres to 109 thousand acres in 2014. Winter wheat production is estimated at 5.45 million bushels, up 13 percent from last year. Winter wheat yield, at 50.0 bushels per acre, is up 6.0 bushels per acre from last year.

**Spring wheat** seedings, at 10,000 acres, are down 8,000 acres from last year. Acreage harvested totaled 8,000 acres, down from 14,000 acres harvested last year. Spring wheat production is estimated at 432 thousand bushels, down 33 percent from last year. Spring wheat yield, at 54.0 bushels per acre, is up 8.0 bushels per acre from last year.

**Oat** seedings in Utah totaled 20,000 acres, down 20,000 acres from last year. Producers harvested 3,000 acres for grain or seed, down 2,000 acres from 2013. Oat production totaled 210 thousand bushels in 2014, down 32 percent from last year. Oat yield is 70.0 bushels per acre in 2014, up 8.0 bushels per acre from the previous year.

Utah's **barley** seeded area, at 32,000 acres, is down 8,000 acres from last year. Harvested area, at 20,000 acres, is down 10,000 acres from 2013. Barley yield, at 86.0 bushels per acre is up 8.0 bushels per acre from last year. Barley production in 2014 is estimated at 1.72 million bushels, down 26 percent from the previous year.

### UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

**All wheat** production totaled 2.04 billion bushels in 2014, down 5 percent from the revised 2013 total. Area harvested for grain totaled 46.5 million acres, up 3 percent from the previous year. The United States yield is estimated at 43.8 bushels per acre, down 3.3 bushels from the previous year. The levels of production and changes from 2013 by type are winter wheat, 1.38 billion bushels, down 11 percent; other spring wheat, 601 million bushels, up 12 percent; and Durum wheat, 57.1 million bushels, down 2 percent.

**Winter wheat** production for 2014 totaled 1.38 billion bushels, down 11 percent from the revised 2013 total. The United States yield, at 42.6 bushels per acre, is down 4.7 bushels from 2013. Area harvested for grain is estimated at 32.3 million acres, down 1 percent from the previous year.

**Other spring wheat** production for 2014 is estimated at 601 million bushels, up 12 percent from the revised 2013 total. Harvested area totaled 12.8 million acres, up 13 percent from last year. The United States yield is estimated at 46.9 bushels per acre, down slightly from last year. Of the total production, 561 million bushels are Hard Red Spring wheat, up 14 percent from last year. Record high yields are estimated in the Dakotas.

**Oat** production is estimated at 70.5 million bushels, up 9 percent from the revised 2013 total but represents the fourth lowest production on record. Yield is estimated at 67.8 bushels per acre, up 3.7 bushels from the previous year. Harvested area, at 1.04 million acres, is 3 percent above last year. This is the third lowest acreage harvested for grain on record.

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**Barley** production is estimated at 180 million bushels, down 17 percent from the revised 2013 total. Average yield per acre, at 73.4 bushels, is up 2.1 bushels from the previous year and represents a record high for the United States. Producers seeded 2.98 million acres in 2014, down 16 percent from last year. Harvested area, at 2.46 million acres, is down 19 percent from 2013.

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